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Applicants : Ann Marie Schmidt, et al.
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For : A METHOD FOR INHIBITING TUMOR INVASION OR
SPREADING IN A SUBJECT

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**COMMUNICATION AND
PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Communication is submitted in order to address the Examiner's remarks set forth in the January 26, 2005 Final Office Action and July 12, 2005 Advisory Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and the September 8, 2005 telephonic interview between the undersigned attorney and Examiners Christopher Yaen and Sheela Huff, all in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on July 26, 2005 which was received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 29, 2005, making an appeal brief due September 29, 2005. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, and a check including the \$60.00 fee for a one-month extension of time is enclosed. Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) herewith in lieu of an appeal brief. With a one-month extension of time, the deadline for filing an appeal brief is October 29, 2005. However, since October 29, 2005

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falls on a Saturday, an appeal brief filed on Monday, October 31, 2005 is considered timely. Accordingly, this Communication and RCE are being timely filed.